

CLAIM SET AS AMENDED

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Brushing~~ A brushing device for brushing livestock, having comprising:

an oblong brush that can be set in motion by a driving means, and having a carrying means for carrying the brush, the carrying means including: comprising at least one flexible element, characterized in that whereby in the absence of a force acting externally upon it, the brush ~~(2)~~ has a substantially vertical orientation for brushing sides of an animal, and in that wherein the at least one flexible element ~~(10a, 10b)~~ of the carrying means, through a force acting externally upon it thereupon, permits a swivelling swiveling of the brush to a substantially horizontal orientation of said brush for reaching higher-up surfaces of the animal.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Brushing~~ The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the at least one flexible element ~~(10a, 10b)~~ is oblong.

3. (Currently amended) ~~Brushing~~ The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the at least one flexible element ~~(10a, 10b)~~ is substantially tubular.

4. (Currently amended) Brushing—The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the at least one flexible element (10a, 10b) is a leaf spring or coil spring.

5. (Currently amended) Brushing—The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the driving means (6) is rigidly connected to the brush (2).

6. (Currently amended) Brushing—The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the driving means (6) is connected to the brush (2) by way of a flexible connection (18).

7. (Currently amended) Brushing—The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the driving means (6) is designed for rotating the brush (2) about its longitudinal axis.

8. (Currently amended) Brushing—The brushing device according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the driving means (6) is designed for moving the brush (2) substantially in a plane parallel to the longitudinal axis of the brush (2).

9. (Currently amended) Brushing The brushing device according to claim 1, ~~characterized by a further comprising drip-feeding means (14, 10b)~~ for drip-feeding a treatment agent from a place situated above the brush (2) onto the brush (2).

10. (New) The brushing device according to claim 1, wherein said flexible element comprises one or more universal couplings.